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TAGS: PGOV UR FR
SUBJECT: EXPULSION OF FRENCH CITIZEN TATISCHEF

1. FRENCH DCM DUPONT TOLD US THAT HE HAD MADE, UNDER INSTRUCTION, A DEMARCHE CONCERNING THE EXPULSION SOME TEN DAYS AGO OF FRENCH CITIZEN (AND FORMER CULTURAL ATTACHE AT THE EMBASSY HERE) TATISCHEF. DUPONT'S PROTEST, MADE TO THE HEAD OF THE CONSULAR DEPARTMENT, WAS NOT ACCEPTED. THE SOVIETS TOLD HIM THAT TATISCHEF SHOULD NEVER HAVE RECEIVED HIS VISA AND THAT FRENCH WERE LUCKY THAT HE WAS MERELY EXPELLED.

2. DUPONT SAID THAT HE THOUGH THAT TATISCHEF HAD BEEN MOUSE-TRAPPED. DURING THE TWO DAYS IN MOSCOW BEFORE HIS EXPULSION HE WAS CONSTANTLY FOLLOWED AND HARASSED AND THE FRENCH HERE BELIEVE THE SOVIETS HAD DECIDED TO EXPEL HIM WITH MAXIMUM PUBLICITY. DUPONT ADDED THAT SOVIETS PRESUMABLY FELT THAT THEY COULD NOT REFUSE, IMMEDIATELY BEFORE BREZHNEV VISIT, TO GIVE A VISA TO A FRENCH CITIZEN WHO HAD NEVER BEEN DECLARED PNG, ALTHOUGH THEY HAD REFUSED IN JANUARY TO GIVE TATISCHEF A VISA TO ACCOMPANY, AS INTERPRETER, A DELEGATION HEADED BY QUAI CULTURAL AFFAIRS HEAD LALOY. IN THE WAKE OF THE BREZHNEV VISIT, HOWEVER, WITH ITS RELATIVELY
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MEAGER RESULTS, THE AUTHORITIES PRESUMABLY FELT THAT THEY COULD SAFELY EXPEL TATISCHEF.

3. DUPONT COMMENTED THAT IT SEEMED A STRANGE WAY FOR THE SOVIETS TO ACT IMMEDIATELY AFTER BREZHNEV'S PARIS VISIT, AND SAID HE THOUGHT IT A BAD AUGURY FOR FRANCO-SOVIET RELATIONS.

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